



City of
Norfolk

Inter Department Correspondence Sheet **TO:**

Members of Council

FROM: City Clerk

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SUBJECT: Minutes of City Council Meeting

August 29, 2014

Attached are the minutes from the City Council meeting held August 26, 2014.

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NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014

President Fraim called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. with the following members present: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Protogyrou, Mr. Riddick, Mr. Smigiel, Dr. Whibley, Ms. Williams and Mr. Winn.

He thereupon called on the City Manager for the agenda review. This being done, he called for the first item of business.

A. COUNCIL INTERESTS

Councilman Protogyrou reported about the regional jail, noting that the governing board has met monthly since the immigration inmates have been pulled out. He noted that immigration policies supported by the administration have changed and they've lost about 400 inmates which generated a lot of money from the Federal Government.

- Councilwoman Whibley stated that they have a very vibrant downtown and waterfront with a lot of scheduled activities for this fall. In regards to the building at Waterside, she stated that there should be a sign somewhere on the building or nearby that states something is coming soon and that they are actively moving toward refurbishing it.
- Councilwoman Johnson stated that she was in the company of Norfolk Public Schools and a group called Life Enrichment Center. She announced that they will open their 4th computer lab center at Lindenwood Elementary School and there are plans for two more computer labs to go into the elementary centers throughout the city. She stated that this is something wonderful happening for the City as well as Norfolk Public Schools and that the Life Enrichment Center regional group raised \$5,000 and then the Norfolk group matched it with another 55,000.

Vice Mayor Williams a) stated that the Christmas Holiday is coming and suggested perhaps city staff work Monday and Tuesday the 22nd and 23rd as full days and then as a suggestion give them Wednesday, Thursday and Friday off, which would be the 24th through the 26th. She stated that she would greatly appreciate Council taking that under advisement and b) she apologized to the Chief for a comment that she made last week that did not portray the police department in the best light. She stated the police department was criticized for a comment that turned into a story and in the future if there are concerns with the police she will call them first.

- Councilman Smigiel expressed concern with the condition of post offices within the city, specifically noting the Wards Corner location. He stated that post office properties have not been maintained and are overgrown with weeds and have a lot of debris.

B. FY2015 ANNUAL AUDIT PLAN

City Auditor John Sanderlin reported on the purpose for an audit plan, development of the plan with cooperation of the administration and provided examples of audit projects considered. He next reviewed new audit projects for the year and audits carried forward from the previous years.

C. POLLING PLACE CHANGE

Stephanie Iles, Deputy Registrar, presented two options for relocating the Hunton YMCA polling place: Tidewater Park Elementary and Ruffner Academy.

Mr. Riddick supported relocating to Ruffner provided pedestrian safety is taken care of.

D. COTTAGE LINE SAND DUNE APPLICATION UPDATE

Ron Williams, Deputy City Manager, gave an update on the status of 8 sand dune applications of which were approved by the Wetlands Board. 52 property owners appealed to the Marine Resources Commission; the appeal hearing has been continued to September 23, 2014.

Brian Joyner from Moffat & Nichol presented a report on a Dune Integrity Assessment.

E. CLOSED SESSION

Motion for closed session was approved for purposes which are set out in Clause(s) 1, 3, 7 and 29 of subsection (A) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, as amended:

- (1) Discussion of candidates for appointment to city boards, commissions and authorities.
- (³) Discussion of the disposition of publicly held real property for public purpose in Bayview and discussion of the disposition of publicly held real property in the vicinity Northampton Boulevard and Wesleyan Drive, Meadowbrook, Ballentine Place, Colonial Place and Campostella.
- (⁷) Consultation with legal counsel and briefing by staff members, consultants or attorneys regarding legal disclosures for bond transactions and one legal matter related to zoning.
- (29) Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, and discussion of the terms of such contract where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

Yes: Johnson, Protogyrou, Riddick, Smigiel, Whibley, Williams, Winn and Frain.

No: None.